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SUBJECT: TERRORIST ATTACK ON OPEC

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1. AT 0200 DEC. 22, AUSTRIAN RADIO CARRIED ANNOUNCEMENT BY CHANCELLOR KREISKY THAT LENGTHY NEGOTIATIONS WITH TERRORISTS HAD RESULTED IN FOLLOWING SOLUTION WHICH ALSO HAD BEEN AGREED TO BY AUSTRIAN CABINET AND REPRESENTATIVES OF OPEC STATES:

(A) AT 0700 MONDAY DECEMBER 22 A BUS WILL PICK UP TERRORISTS, THE 11 OPEC MINISTERS AND SOME OF THEIR STAFF MEMBERS AND TAKE THEM TO WIEN-SCHWECHAT AIRPORT.

(B) TERRORISTS AND THESE HOSTAGES WILL THEN BE FLOWN AT 0800 TO ALGIERS ABOARD AN AUSTRIAN AIRLINES DC-9 WITH A SINGLE CREW. ALGERIA HAS AGREED TO LET THE AIRCRAFT LAND IN ALGIERS ALTHOUGH IT IS NOT CERTAIN THAT THIS WILL BE TERRORISTS' FINAL DESTINATION.

(C) THE SEVERELY WOUNDED TERRORIST WILL ALSO BE PUT ABOARD
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THE FLIGHT AND IS TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PHYSICIAN.

(D) ALL AUSTRIAN RESIDENT HOSTAGES ARE TO BE RELEASED HERE BEFORE DEPARTURE. THE HOSTAGES TO BE RELEASED THUS INCLUDE AUSTRIANS AND NON-AUSTRIAN OPEC STAFFERS RESIDENT IN VIENNA.

2. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL CONFIRMED ABOVE TO EMBASSY BUT PROVIDED NO FURTHER DETAILS.MEEHAN

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